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The reply brief filed 8/16/06 has been entered and considered. The application has been forwarded to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences for decision on the appeal.

The argument at the top page 2 is noted. The examiner has never indicated anything contrary to the fact that Dahl intends for his device to be folded as depicted in Fig. 4; however, the fold shown in Fig. 3 is the same as claimed here. Appellant is correct in his assessment of the use of the latches 60 of Dahl as set forth on the second half of page 2 of the reply brief; however, as shown in Figs. 2-4 of Dahl, these latches do not compromise the fold scheme and certainly the claimed "wherein one each of said opposed planar end walls is in direct contact with at least a portion of a respective one of said planar side walls" of claim 1 lines 14-15, is met by Dahl.


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